long-standing involvement in criminal justice matters and social issues, Lieutenant Governor Curran is actively working to ensure the adequate delivery of juvenile services, is involved in corrections and judicial reform, and a balanced State policy for deinstitutionalization. Lieutenant Governor Curran works with the Department of Economic and Community Development in maintaining open contact and dialogue with Maryland resident industry and is assisting in efforts to bring new industry and jobs to Maryland.

Lieutenant Governor Curran was born in West Palm Beach, Florida, on July 7, 1931. He is a graduate of Blessed Sacrament School of Baltimore, Loyola High School, the University of Baltimore, and the University of Baltimore Law School (LL.B., 1959).

In 1950, at the outset of the Korean War, Mr. Curran volunteered for military duty, serving with the United States Air Force in Japan, Okinawa, and Korea. He was honorably discharged with the rank of staff sergeant after a four-year tour of duty.

While stationed in Japan, he organized and directed the Johnson Air Force Base support of the St. Joseph Home for War Orphans.

Mr. Curran returned to Baltimore following his military service, becoming active in a number of civic organizations and political clubs. Before entering law school he worked briefly for the Lavship Steamship Line in Locust Point, and for the Bethlehem Steel Company at Sparrows Point. He was engaged in the private practice of law with the firm of Curran and Owens in Baltimore and is a member of the Maryland State Bar Association, Baltimore City Bar Association, and the Association of Defense Counsel of Baltimore City. He also served as a member of the Ethics Committee of the Baltimore City Bar Association.

Mr. Curran is married to the former Barbara Marie Atkins. They are the parents of five children, Mary Carole, Alice, Catherine, J. Joseph (Max) Curran III, and William (deceased). The Currans reside in the Homeland section of Baltimore City.